

Maths for Computing

Lecture 3

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\mathbb{C} : The complex numbers

- Every complex number can be written as

$$z = x + iy$$

$x \in \mathbb{R}$
 $y \in \mathbb{R}$

Real part **Imaginary part**

- We can operate on complex numbers like usual (BODMAS), with the additional rule

$$i^2 = -1$$

BB Dividing complex numbers

$$\frac{a + ib}{c + id} = ?$$

Trick:

$$(c + id) \cdot (c - id) = c^2 - i^2 d^2 - cid + cid = c^2 + d^2$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a + ib}{c + id} &= \frac{a + ib}{c + id} \cdot \frac{c - id}{c - id} = \frac{1}{c^2 + d^2} (a + ib)(c - id) \\ &= \frac{1}{c^2 + d^2} (ac + bd - iad + icb) \end{aligned}$$

Summation notation (Σ notation)

Definition: $\sum_{j=1}^3 x_j := x_1 + x_2 + x_3$

Diagram labels:
- 3: upper limit
- $j=1$: lower limit
- \sum : summation index

Note: Increment always by 1!

It is like a “for” loop:

```
a = 0;
for ( j=1; j <= 3; j= j + 1 ) {
    a = a+xj
}
```

Some alternative notations **BB**

BB Some alternative notations

$$\sum_{i \in \{1, \dots, N\}} x_i = \sum_{i=1}^N x_i$$

$$\sum_{i \in \{1, \dots, N\}, i \neq 2} x_i = \left(\sum_{i=1}^N x_i \right) - x_2$$

$$\sum_{\substack{i \in \{1, \dots, N\} \\ j \in \{1, \dots, M\}}} x_i x_j = \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^M x_i x_j$$

Summation notation

Summation notation is extremely convenient and is used everywhere.

Note: Empty sums are zero:

$$\sum_{k=2}^1 k^2 = 0$$

Examples: **BB**

BB “Normal” examples

$$\sum_{i=1}^4 3 \cdot i = 3 + 6 + 9 + 12$$

$$\sum_{j=3}^5 \sum_{k=1}^2 j \cdot k = \sum_{j=3}^5 (j \cdot 1 + j \cdot 2)$$

$$= 3 \cdot 1 + 3 \cdot 2 + 4 \cdot 1 + 4 \cdot 2 + 5 \cdot 1 + 5 \cdot 2$$

$$= 3 + 6 + 4 + 8 + 5 + 10$$

BB More examples

$$\sum_{j=3}^5 \sum_{k=1}^2 j \cdot k = \sum_{k=1}^2 3 \cdot k + \sum_{k=1}^2 4 \cdot k + \sum_{k=1}^2 5 \cdot k$$

$$= 3 \cdot 1 + 3 \cdot 2 + 4 \cdot 1 + 4 \cdot 2 + 5 \cdot 1 + 5 \cdot 2$$

$$= 3 + 6 + 4 + 8 + 5 + 10$$

Note how **the order of expansion does not matter!**

Reason:

$$a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c \quad (\text{Associativity})$$

$$a + b = b + a \quad (\text{Commutativity})$$

Product notation

Definition:
$$\prod_{j=1}^5 a_j := a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot a_3 \cdot a_4 \cdot a_5$$

Think about a for loop, but multiplication inside, instead of summation.

Example:
$$\prod_{j=1}^5 j = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5 = 120$$

Product notation

Product notation is somewhat less common but also still used frequently (and useful)

Note: Empty products are 1:

$$\prod_{i=5}^1 x_i = 1$$

This makes a lot of sense:

Empty sum

```
a= 0;  
for ( j=1; j <= 3; j= j + 1) {  
    a= a+xj  
}
```

If the loop is never executed -> sum is 0.

Empty product

```
a = 1;  
for ( j=1; j <= 3; j= j + 1 ) {  
    a = a * xj  
}
```

If the loop is never executed -> product is 1.

Why one implies the other: **BB**

BB ... and why one implies the other

For $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

$$a \cdot b = \exp(\log(a \cdot b)) = \exp(\log(a) + \log(b))$$

$$\prod_{i=1}^n x_i = \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \log(x_i)\right)$$

If the product is empty, then the sum is empty and

$$\prod_{i=1}^n x_i = \exp(0) = 1$$

Summary

Sum: $\sum_{j=1}^3 x_j := x_1 + x_2 + x_3$, empty sum is 0.

Product: $\prod_{j=1}^5 a_j := a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot a_3 \cdot a_4 \cdot a_5$, empty product is 1

Multiple sums or products:

$\sum_{j=3}^5 \sum_{k=1}^2 j \cdot k$... order of evaluation does not matter

“The domino effect”

INDUCTION

Mathematical induction

Let $P(n)$ be the **predicate** (or **assumption**).

$P(n)$ is true for particular values of n , e.g:

$P(n)$: “ $n^3 - n$ is divisible by 3 “

$$n = 1 : 1^3 - 1 = 0$$

$$n = 2 : 2^3 - 2 = 8 - 2 = 6$$

$$n = 3 : 3^3 - 3 = 27 - 3 = 24$$

Proof by induction

$P(n)$: ‘ $n^3 - n$ is divisible by 3’

Seems alright for the examples.

But we would like to show:

$P(n)$ is true **for all** $n \in \mathbb{N}$

In “maths speak”: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} : P(n)$

“for all”

Proof by induction

- Intuitively ...
1. Show that $P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)$ for any n
 2. Show that $P(1)$ is true
 3. Then from 1. and 2., $P(2)$ is true
 4. ... and from 1. and 3., $P(3)$ is true
 5. ... and from 1. and 4., $P(4)$ is true
 6. ...

Mathematical induction

In “maths speak”:

$$P(1) \wedge \left(\forall n \in \mathbb{N} : (P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)) \right) \Rightarrow \forall n \in \mathbb{N} : P(n)$$

“and”

implies

- If $P(1)$ is true
... and for all n , $P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)$,
then $P(n)$ is true for all values of n .
- This is the principle of **mathematical induction.**

Example 1

$P(n)$: ‘ $n^3 - n$ is divisible by 3‘

- Case $n=1$: $1^3 - 1 = 0$... is divisible by 3
- Now **assume** that $P(n)$ is true
 - Need to **show** $P(n+1)$ is true
 - I.e. **we need to show** that

$(n + 1)^3 - (n + 1)$ is divisible by 3.

But **we can use** that $n^3 - n$ is divisible by 3.

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Example 2

- Francesco Maurolico (1575)
- First known proof by induction.



$$P(n) : \sum_{i=1}^n (2i - 1) = 1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + 2n - 1 = n^2$$

Example 2 continued

- $P(1) : 1 = 1^2 \dots$ is true.
- Assume $P(n)$ is true, need to show $P(n+1)$ is then also true.
- Write $P(n+1)$ in terms of $P(n)$:

$$P(n+1) : \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} 2i - 1 = \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n 2i - 1}_{=n^2 \text{ by Ind.}} + 2(n+1) - 1$$
$$= n^2 + 2n + 1 = (n+1)^2$$

Example 2 concluded

- So, if $P(n)$ is true, $P(n+1)$ is true
- And $P(1)$ is true.
- Therefore, **by mathematical induction**,
 $\Rightarrow \forall n \in \mathbb{N} : P(n)$

BB Example 3

“Geometric series”

Claim:

$$\begin{aligned} P(n) : \sum_{i=0}^n q^i &= 1 + q + q^2 + q^3 + \dots + q^n \\ &= \frac{1 - q^{n+1}}{1 - q} \end{aligned}$$

BB Example 3: Start

$$\begin{aligned} P(1) : \frac{1 - q^2}{1 - q} &= \frac{(1 - q) \cdot (1 + q)}{1 - q} \\ &= 1 + q = \sum_{i=0}^1 q^i \end{aligned}$$

... so $P(1)$ is true.

Assume now $P(n)$ is true.

BB Example 3: Induction step

$$\begin{aligned} P(n+1) : \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} q^i &= \underbrace{\sum_{i=0}^n q^i}_{= \frac{1-q^{n+1}}{1-q}} + q^{n+1} \quad \text{by assumption} \\ &= \frac{1-q^{n+1}}{1-q} + q^{n+1} \frac{1-q}{1-q} \\ &= \frac{1-q^{n+1} + q^{n+1} - q^{n+2}}{1-q} \\ &= \frac{1-q^{n+2}}{1-q} = \frac{1-q^{(n+1)+1}}{1-q} \end{aligned}$$

BB Example 3: Conclusion

By induction it follows that

$$\sum_{i=0}^n q^i = \frac{1 - q^{n+1}}{1 - q} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Proof complete.

Qed

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demonstrandum)

Things about induction

- Mathematical induction can only be used to prove arguments for positive, whole numbers – i.e., the **natural numbers** \mathbb{N} .
- No need to start with $P(1)$. Sometimes it is easier to start with $P(3)$ or $P(4)$ etc.
- But then the inductive proof will only be valid for $P(\geq 3)$ or $P(\geq 4)$ etc.

Induction and recursion

- Mathematical induction is important in computer science because it allows us to prove things about **recursive** programs.
- A recursive function is a **function that calls itself**.
- Recursion is the basis of several programming languages, e.g., PROLOG.



metro

Woman spotted yesterday reading today's paper



Metro 1000 "yest" says president

Recursive programming

- A technique for simplifying a problem by dividing it into subproblems of the same type.
- For example, consider this function of the factorial:

```
function n= Factorial(nm)
    if (nm <= 1)
        n= 1;
    else
        n= nm*Factorial(nm-1);
    end
end
```

Proof of correctness

Proof by induction:

1. `n=1:` `if (nm <= 1)` `1! = 1` `Ok!`
 `n= 1;`
 `else ...`

2. **Now assume it is correct for n;**

is correct by
assumption
 $= (n - 1)!$

3. `Induction:` `...`
 `else`
 `n= nm*Factorial(nm-1);`
 `end`

Proof of correctness complete

Furthermore,

$$n! = n \cdot (n - 1) \cdot (n - 2) \cdot \dots \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = n \cdot (n - 1)!$$

...

```
else
```

```
    n = nm * Factorial(nm - 1);
```

```
end
```

$= (n - 1)!$

Therefore, $n = nm!$... the function does always return the correct value. Done.

Practical tips about Induction

- If you don't use the assumption, you are not doing proof by induction! **BB1**
- Sometimes it is useful to “work from two sides” **BB2**
- If you forget any of the steps it is not a proof! **BB3**
(especially the start is often forgotten)

BB1 Using the assumption

Example 2 again:

We are trying to do the Induction step to show

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} 2i - 1 = (n + 1)^2$$

Induction step:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} 2i - 1 = \sum_{i=1}^n 2i - 1 + \text{something}$$

This is “n” -> we can use the assumption here!



BB2 “Coming from two sides”

We need to show

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} 2i - 1 = (n + 1)^2$$

“From the left”:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} 2i - 1 = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n 2i - 1 \right) + 2(n + 1) - 1$$

using the assumption simplifying

$$= n^2 + 2(n + 1) - 1 = n^2 + 2n + 1$$

BB “Coming from two sides ...”

“From the right”:

$$(n + 1)^2 = n^2 + 2n + 1$$



simplifying

“From the left”:

$$n^2 + 2n + 1$$

“From the right”:

$$n^2 + 2n + 1$$

It's equal – success!

Wrong

Wrong

BB Forgotten start

“Proof” that for all numbers $n = n - 1$:

1. (forgotten start)
2. Assumption: True for n , i.e. $n = n - 1$
3. Induction:

$$n + 1 = (n - 1) + 1 = n \quad \text{q.e.d}$$



Using assumption:

$$n = n - 1$$

Wrong

Wrong

Summary

Proof by induction **always has 3 parts:**

1. **Start:** e.g. show $P(n)$ for $n=0$, or $n=1$
2. **Assumption:** $P(n)$ is true
3. **Induction step:** show that $P(n+1)$ is true using $P(n)$